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## REMARKS

The Examiner has required a restriction between the following groups of claims:

Group I, claims 1-14, drawn to a method for treating the metabolic syndrome or Type 2 diabetes in a patient, comprising the step of administering a composition comprising: (1) at least one central dopaminergic neuronal activity activator; (2) at least one central noradrenergic neuronal activity inhibitor; and (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, classified in class 514, subclasses 534, 649, and

Group II, claims 15-20, drawn to a pharmaceutical composition effective for treating the metabolic syndrome or Type 2 diabetes, said composition comprising: (1) at least one central dopaminergic neuronal activity activator; (2) at least one central noradrenergic neuronal activity inhibitor; and (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, classified in class 514, subclass 534, 649.

Applicant elects without traverse the claims of <u>Group I, claims 1-14</u> and reserves the right to file continuation applications on unelected claims 15-20 under 35 USC §§120 and 121.

Any fees due with this Reply may be charged to Deposit Account 23-1665 under Customer Number 27267.

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If a telephone conference would aid in the continued prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

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